IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Kouichi TADA et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 20, 2007

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated August 22, 2007 and Advisory Action dated November 29, 2007, the time for response being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and upon grant of the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please amend the application as shown on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims, as reflected in the listing of claims, begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 4.